From: Robert Helverson/R3/USEPA/US

Sent: 11/21/2011 3:23:14 PM

To: Victoria Binetti/R3/USEPA/US@EPA

CC:

Subject: Fw: Springville Diner getting bottled water...what should I do?

Hi Victoria.

Can you help clarify this situation?

I was informed by a Susquehanna County resident that a diner in Springville (next to Dimock) is receiving bottled water from the industry. Are restaurants/diners with private groundwater wells defined as "public water supplies" and subject to SDWA regs? I could not find this water supply on the PADEP website. Is this an issue for Karen Johnson or someone else in water and not you? I am a bit confused about who runs each of the water programs at EPA right now because of the many EPA/ATSDR interactions we have had recently. Maybe you could clarify on this Springville Diner issue for me?

Thanks,

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From: Robert Helverson/R3/USEPA/US

To:

Date: 11/18/2011 03:32 PM

Subject: Re: Springville Diner getting bottled water...what should I do?

Hi

Congrats on the DRBC front,

It is my understanding that restaurant water quality is subject to SDWA regs, although a less rigorous protocol is employed/required (parameters and monitoring schedule). Regardless, PADEP should be regulating and this restaurant is likely to have some data on PADEP website and they are the regulatory enforcement agency for the restaurant. When I return to the office, I will ask the EPA water div SDWA managers about this.

Has anyone seen any data for this well?

Bob

From:

Sent: 11/18/2011 02:41 AM EST

To:

Subject: Re: Springville Diner getting bottled water...what should I do?

thanks for your text about a grad student working on public health who will call me about this situation. I was hoping for some more immediate gratification:)

I intuit from your response the DOH and USDA have nada to do with restaurants? thanks...

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In a message dated 11/17/2011 10:52:17 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, I.com writes: The diner is definitely getting bottled water deliveries and the rumor is the post office and the house connected to the diner are also affected. The Smithfield Cabot well is no more than .25 mile up hill from the diner...just south of Dimock on Route 29. Does the DOH inspect restaurants? What should I do with this information?

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